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## Judge Goff Not a Candidate.

In this morning's Intelligencer appears a letter addressed to Ed. M. Heermans, of Charleston, under date of last Monday. In response to the latter's inquiry of Judge Nathan Goff as to his position regarding the United States senatorship, in connection with which the judge's name has been frequently used, and many conflicting reports have been published. The letter states over Judge Goff's signature that he is not now, nor will he, during the coming session of the legislature of West Virginia, be a candidate for the high office mentioned. He further requests that his friends may do him a favor by advising those who may refer to the matter, that by his own direction his name has been absolutely eliminated from the list of those who have by some of our fellow citizens been considered eligible for the senatorship.

These expressions from Judge Goff seem to be definite and emphatic enough to place his position well before the public and to silence all speculations as to his intentions. From another source the simple statement comes that the Charleston correspondent of the Intelligencer has a letter of a similar nature from Judge Goff.

Until the legislature is organized, and all contests are settled, it is needless to speculate upon the precise standing of that body with regard to the senatorship in either party. So far as the Intelligencer is informed, there is no likelihood of a bitter contest among Republicans over the caucus nomination, and the contest between the two pronounced candidates, Messrs. Scott and Atkinson, so far has been a friendly one. It has been the hope of the friends of both that a decision will be reached which will result in the united support of the candidate of the majority.

Those who have been urging Judge Goff have taken the ground that if the party should fail to agree he would be the logical candidate upon whom to unite, and such a result might bring that to pass, although the letter published this morning shows that the judge does not desire to figure in these calculations. Certainly he is not a candidate in the sense of being one, and will not be while holding a judicial position.

In the meantime, the senatorial matter should not interfere with any of the harmony which now exists in the effort to secure and sustain the rights of the Republicans to a majority on joint ballot. The senatorial question will not suffer by waiting until every doubt is removed and every contest is settled. The Republicans are in earnest about these rights, and should maintain them by working in harmony for that purpose, unhandicapped by any other consideration.

## Senator Morrill in History.

Justin Smith Morrill's death removes from the scene of action in this world one of America's ablest and most distinguished statesmen, the oldest member of the United States senate in point of service and in age. Few of our public servants have served so long and so continuously in the national legislative halls. For almost the average life of man he occupied a seat in the United States senate, and lacked but six years of a half century of a congressional career. He was not an idle legislator, but one whose name has figured in connection with every piece of history-making legislation in that long period, and the best testimonial of his worth and greatness is that the people of the Green Mountain state have kept him as their representative in the house of representatives and the senate for forty-four years. Almost from the beginning he took his place as a leader, and for years past has been regarded as the dean or patriarch of the senate.

Senator Morrill was the author of the tariff act which was designed to raise revenues for the civil war, and the protective features of which have ever since been the basis of all Republican revenue legislation. The respect for Senator Morrill has not been confined

to the political party of which he was long a leader and of late years has been a counsellor. It was universal in this country, and he was revered by all his colleagues in the senate for his high character and sound judgment.

The passing away of this aged statesman recalls to the mind of American citizens the fact that there are few surviving statesmen of the past generations still with us, and with a single exception, in the person of Congressman Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania, none who is still in the public service. During their lifetimes great history was made, and the splendid advancement of the Nation and the country along all lines, industrial, commercial, educational, invention, territorial, wealth, population, power and influence have been accomplished. They have witnessed the rise and the glory of the great republic, and have participated in the furtherance of all the measures that have brought about the growth and progress in advanced civilization of the nineteenth century which is unparalleled in all history.

Mr. Morrill has lived to look back over the almost nine-tenths of a century of this accomplishment, and has witnessed nearly the whole of it. The entire country will mourn his loss and always respect his memory.

## Pessimistic Mr. Boutwell.

Ex-Governor Boutwell, of Massachusetts, in his views upon the so-called "expansion policy," constitutes himself a prophet of evil, and takes at this late day a view of the war which not one American citizen in a hundred will endorse. His argument that Spain committed no act that warranted the United States in going to war with her is a new theory. It is true that many were opposed to war among others President McKinley—but they were opposed to war only so long as it appeared possible to settle the great question of human freedom and other privacies without war.

The war was forced and could not have been avoided under the circumstances that arose. It was prosecuted in the only logical way, and in the result the country found itself confronted with a situation that could not have been abandoned without dishonor to the Nation. The ex-governor's talk about our holding the Philippines, only because Russia permits us to do so, is another proposition which is entirely baseless. Russia is not going to interfere with the policy of the United States which will be settled by Congress.

Mr. Boutwell is proceeding on the false premise that the policy of absolute annexation has been adopted. It has not been and may not be. There is no suggestion whatever that the United States will make the Philippines one of the states of the Union. The trend of opinion seems to be for the proposition to manage the affairs of the islands until the Filipinos are able to be entrusted with the government. This conservative policy has met with favor, with a view to the maintenance of military control until the solution of the problem of government can be met by Congressional action.

Upon the conduct and the intelligence among the Filipinos will depend largely the nature of these provisions. The public is content to await developments. The people are willing to trust their representatives and the President not to do anything that will bring about the evils predicted by Mr. Boutwell. Upon the platform above stated the President and conservative leaders of all parties stand, and for that reason the treaty of peace will be overwhelmingly ratified.

## Our National "Messenger Boys."

The able Democratic organ in this city constantly refers to ex-Secretary of State Day, who so ably filled the position of president of the American peace commission, as "Squire Day." Considering the fact that Mr. Day is regarded in the diplomatic circles in Washington and Europe as one of the ablest men filling the secretary of state's office in this country, having paid him high compliments for his splendid diplomatic accomplishments, the Register's opinion of him is ridiculously absurd, and simply exhibits the degree of maliciousness it can reach in its estimate of public men. Mr. Day's distinguished services to the country, and his international reputation won so quickly and so creditably, will stand him in good stead at this time against the powerful assaults of this eminent journal in Wheeling.

The somewhat amusing manner of the references made by the able organ to Mr. Day, however, is as nothing compared with its comment on the fact that peace commissioners are to receive \$15,000 each for their services at Paris. Intelligent citizens have their credibility imposed upon and their intelligence insulted by the solemn statement that the labor of the commissioners "involved no diplomacy and merely the presentation of the ultimatum of the state department, a LABOR THAT MESSENGER BOYS MIGHT HAVE DONE!"

Was there ever such a demonstration of ignorance of the duties devolving upon a peace commission, and the rare diplomacy required, witnessed as this? Messenger boys, according to the Register, would have been competent to meet the evasiveness, the stubbornness, the shrewd arguments involving strong and complicated points of international law on the part of the Spanish representatives. Messenger boys could have withstood the many schemes of delay, participated in the debates calling for a thorough knowledge of every complication, exercised from day to day and from week to week the firmness and determination to meet every issue, arranged the details of all settlements based upon the memorandum of the ultimatum of the state department, discussed point by point the serious questions covering the Cuban and Philippine indebtment, drafted the peace treaty, a document which called for cautious, careful, safe and sound judgment, fought the shrewdest statesmen of Spain, overcome obstacles, met technicalities in the law and overcome them, sustained with unyielding vigor every demand of this country, steered clear of diplomatic complications with foreign powers, held up the honor of a great nation, and returned home with a treaty in which every point favored and vindicated a great nation's cause. All this a "messenger boy" could

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have accomplished merely for his steamship fare and his customary fee of ten cents or a quarter of a dollar for delivering the ultimatum. The profundity of this able rendering of a judgment by the Wheeling Democratic organ, which is happiest when it is rendering itself so ridiculous as to imagine its readers are totally devoid of knowledge of the requirements of men sent to represent a mighty country in a historic incident, overcomes and utterly renders fruitless the verdict of the best men of the world, and, by comparison, totally overshadows the importance of the commission's work as it is viewed by all civilization.

When the amount of \$75,000 is distributed among the five commissioners selected from among the distinguished men of the country to assume the great responsibilities from which some of the ablest men in the Union begged to be excused, let there be posted upon the backs of the drafts the Wheeling organ's tribute that it is "for the performance of duties as messenger boys" and not for diplomatic and legal ability, and the almost unparalleled responsibility borne. Let the Register's simple but profoundly able statement be engraved upon the plate and emblazoned in the history of the war and the men who framed the treaty.

Senator Faulkner is more conservative than many leaders of his party are with reference to the questions growing out of the war. His statement of his position, published in yesterday's Intelligencer, shows him to be in accord with the administration on many points. The senator is not popularizing himself in the party he represents from this state, but his talk has the merit of frankness which commends it to its consideration.

The Parkersburg Sentinel refers to Republicans in this state who are doing no more than contending for their rights in connection with the contests over legislative seats, as "Elkins' hiring puppets." And thus does this able Democratic paper sustain the dignity, the decency and the broad-mindedness of its position as a party organ and a public journal.

## TALL GIRLS.

## A Discourse on the Upward Growth of Young Americans.

Providence Journal: Ideals of beauty change from age to age and differ among different peoples. The curious thing is that humanity is apparently capable of the physical transformations that the ideals demand. The statement is made that American girls are taller and larger than they used to be, and figures are given to prove it. Nor is there anything improbable in this. The increased attention to athletics in late years would account for it easily enough. There are few sports now in which women cannot and do not take an active part. The healthy girl of today walks, rides, runs, swims, plays golf, and sails a boat as freely and naturally as her brother does, and is an entirely different being from her predecessor of a generation ago. That this should have its effect upon the future of the race goes without saying, perhaps; but the figures to which we have referred prove that physical culture will add an actual inch to the stature of a given person, apart from the development of waist, chest, lungs, arms and so on. Thus, by taking thought any girl can be taller than she is.

Nevertheless, there still remains something inexplicable in the fact that the race changes to meet the ideal. How long is it since the small, soft, clinging creature was celebrated as the divine type of womanhood? Read the novels of forty or fifty years ago and see what a bundle of affections the heroines were. They sacrificed everything to their caprice, their "female delicacy" and fancied that men would despise them if they acted like reasonable beings. They ran to one extreme as completely as the new woman has run to the other. Perhaps the new woman is more or less confined to fiction; she is not to be confounded with the athletic girl, at any rate; but she is not further from the normal ideal of womanhood than her weak sister of half a century ago. Doubtless many of the traits from which we are wont to generalize are superficial and do not affect in the least the essential nature of the sex. But still we should be conscious of living in a very different atmosphere if we were transferred suddenly from the presence of the girl of 1898 to that of the girl of 1848.

Those skilled in such matters have often noted that other changes than those in manners seem to have a foundation in society or a popular actress is imitated as a newswoman, until dark hair or thin lips or a pale complexion, or what not, is as common as the opposite things were six months before. Whatever "type" happens to strike the fancy is multiplied a hundred times over. The sarcastic say that it is all art, but there are certainly authentic cases where the beauty was genuine enough—be it blonde or dark, Titian red or Watteau blue, that at the time was reigning. All this only shows the adaptability of woman to her environment. In which respect she is two or three centuries ahead of that wretched creature, man. For our own part, we are glad that just now the healthy, tall, athletic girl has the field, even though we are told, as we are, that at fashionable weddings, as we are told, it is no unusual occurrence to see the bride towering several inches above the bridegroom. This is no argument for women to stop growing, but rather a warning to men to forego sack and live cleanly, and so keep up with their partners in the game of life.

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## REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

Truth will surprise if women tell it.

A woman's logic is far above a man's morals.

The longest way home is the shortest way to trouble.

The lower a gown is cut the more it conceals the real charms of womanhood.

A woman who will play with deadly fire every chance she gets will not cross a cable track when the nearest car is three blocks away.

No amount of soft music and dim lights can make amends for a woman's failure to have her eyes fill with sadness when she thinks how happy you might have been.—New York Press.

## A Mean Man.

The tea things had been cleared away and the head of the establishment was trying to read the evening paper while his better half busied herself with some fancy work, and at the same time endeavored to interest him in the gossip of the neighborhood.

"Maria," said he, glancing up from his paper, "did you ever hear the story of precious gems?"

"Why, no," she replied, "what is it?"

"It's an old-time fairy legend that my grandmother told me when I was a boy," he continued, "about a woman from whose lips there fell either a diamond or a ruby every time she spoke a word."

"Well, go on," she said.

"That's all there is of it, Maria," he replied. "But I was just thinking if such things happened nowadays I'd open a jewelry store the first thing in the morning."

And then for thirteen consecutive minutes silence reigned supreme.—Chicago Daily News.

## We Have 'Em.

Newport News: Every town has a liar or two; a smart Aleck; some pretty girls; more loafers than it needs; a woman or two that tattle; an old fogy that the town would be better off without; men who stand on the street-corners and make remarks about the women; a man who laughs at an idiotic laugh every time he catches anything; scores of men with the cabbage of their trousers worn smooth as glass; men who can tell you about how the war question should be settled, the weather, and how to run other people's business, but who have made a dismal failure of their own.

## "Ze Contradiction".

Englishman—What will you take?

Frenchman—I will take a drop of ze contradiction.

Englishman—Contradiction! What on earth do you mean?

Frenchman—Well, you put in ze whiskey to make it strong, ze water to make it weak, ze lemon to make it sour, and ze sugar to make it sweet. Den you say, "Here's to you!" and you take it yourself.—Spare Moments.

## Why They are Riled.

Parkersburg State Journal: The State Journal interview with Senator Camden, which has been copied by a dozen or two papers without giving credit, has attracted widespread attention. Not a few of the Democratic papers are considerably riled because Mr. Camden had the temerity to acknowledge what fair-minded people know—that the legislature is Republican on joint ballot. Truth at this stage of the game is not in harmony with Democratic plans.

## The Day After Christmas.

(Head of the House Speaks.)

My mother-in-law, my brother-in-law, my sister-in-law and sister.

The furnace man, the shoeblack boy, my wife—who could resist her?

My sister's children—one, two three; my wife's four little nieces.

The cook, the waitress, our own kids, whose toys were all in pieces.

Downtown the elevator man, stenographer and Danny.

The very newboy clamored, but he was one too many.

To all of these I gave good gifts, furs, sleeve-buttons, a clock.

Warm winter clothes, a dollar—till I was fairly broke.

I was so busy Christmas giving all the time I'd got.

Seeing every one was satisfied, down to the smallest tot.

That 'twasn't till this morning I had time to look and see

The presents that the others had chosen out for me.

I hope I'm not captious—but my things seemed precious queer!

The same old blooming cake of soap they played on me last year!

Two handkerchiefs—so very stiff my nose would fall a-bleeding.

A shopman's book called "Molly Bawn"—not really worth the reading.

They say the givers are the blest, but I'm not quite believing!

Next year I'll let the others give, and I'll take to receiving!

—NANNIE MORRE.

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## STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 28, 1898. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of the Ohio Valley will be held at its place of business, Monday, January 4, 1899, between the hours of one and three o'clock p. m. J. A. MILLER, Cashier.

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## SHIELD OF HONOR.

All members of Wheeling Lodge No. 7, Shield of Honor, are requested to meet at their hall, corner Forty-third and Jacob streets, Friday, at 1 o'clock p. m. sharp to attend the funeral of Brother William L. Hallstrom. Members of sister lodges are invited. W. M. ALLETT, W. M. Aug. G. Romke, Rec. Sec.

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